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The small town paper is glorified by W. Earl Dye in the July issue of the Rotarian, who writes an article entitled, "The Home-Town Editor Speaks." The article follows:

When you married "the finest girl in the county," where did you look for that notice that meant so much to you-and so little to nearly everybody else? In your home-town paper.

When your home was invaded by a blue-eyed girl, or a bouncing boy, to whom did you immedi ately gave details about the time of arrival, sex and weight? The

editor of the home paper. In after years, when some young fellow took the blue-eyed girl to a home of his own, or the boy, now a man, was given a Partnership in your business, to whom did you tell the news-which once more meant much to you and so little to everyone else? To this same edi tor of that same home-town pap-

And when trouble invades your home, and you add to your earthly Possessions that desolate bit of real estate in the cemetery, and somehow the sun doesn't seem to front door, and the chair that has makes it his business to "write

Did you ever stop to count the times you begin conversation with the words. 'I see by the Paper? Staying at home, you may not appreciate your home-town paper: but just take a trip, and be away from your intimate friends for sev eral months, and then pick up a copy. You will welcome it as you would your closest friend.

I have always disliked publishing information about misdeeds or misfortunes of others. When I could so, I have left such matter out, or have given the main facts. without going into details. To

brings tears to the eyes of an old man, or causes a mother to feel the new rhythm of Motoring stabbed to the heart by publicity given to an erring son or wayward daughter.

I do not however, mean that a newspaper should entirely suppres crime news. A hard and fast line between what news to Print and what to omit cannot be drawn. The mitigating circumstances, and the far reaching effect, must be studied and decided upon.

In the main, it is the province of a newspaper to print the so-called crime news as it occurs. In so doing, it provides a safeguard to the community at large, which is invaluable. Men are deterred from criminal actions by fear of publicity. Judicious use of printers' ink can do more toward law enforcement than a dozen peace officers.

Newspapers, like all human agencies, make mistakes, but such errors are generally traceable to misinformation given the news-

I am confident that all newspaper editors will go to heaven. No matter how eloquently the editor may boost for the development and progress of his community. no matter how diligently he may labor to build up his home county no matter how loyally he supports a friend in Politics, extolls the virtues of a famous native son, stretches the truth to praise a local prima-donna-to-be, or gently lays a metaphorical wreath on the grave of the departed, he seldom hears a "Thank you." Rarely does anyone say, "Well done." Almost never does he hear, "We appreciated that."









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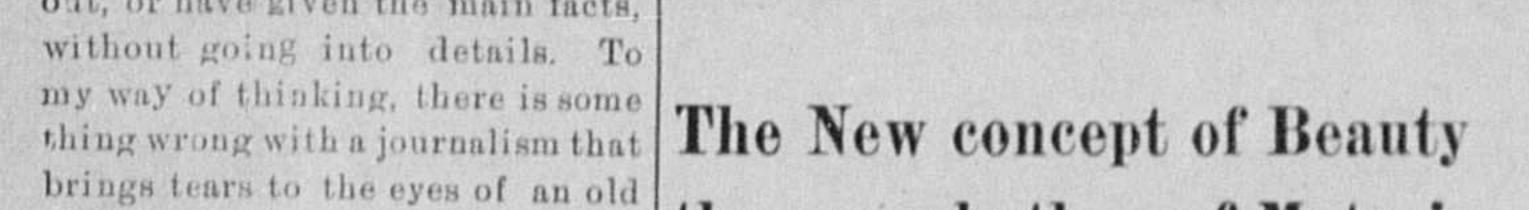












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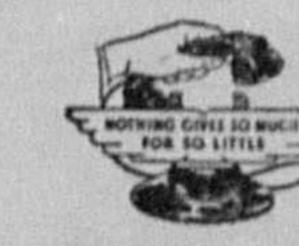
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